

**AN ORDINANCE BY  
COMMITTEE ON COUNCIL**

**06-1031**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER TWO, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, SUBDIVISION II, SECTION 2-97 (ENTITLED, "ORDER OF BUSINESS.") OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, SO AS TO PROVIDE A SECTION ON THE COUNCIL AGENDA FOR THOSE PERSONAL PAPERS/RESOLUTIONS THAT REQUIRE IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION; TO WAIVE CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Committee on Council held work sessions and meetings to review the Code of Ordinances of the City of Atlanta to suggest and effectuate amendments thereto; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter Two, Article II, Division 2, Subdivision II, Section 2-97 of the City Code of Ordinances provides the order of business for each meeting of the city council; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no separate item which specifically allows for the immediate consideration, by council, of personal papers/resolutions; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the city council that there be a separate line item in its order of business for consideration of personal papers/resolutions; and

**WHEREAS**, there is currently no line item in the council order of business for new ordinances or resolutions; and

**WHEREAS**, the announcements by chair may be made at such time period reserved for general remarks.

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA** as follows:

**Section 1:** Chapter Two, Article II, Division 2, Subdivision II., Section 2-97, which reads:

The order of business for each meeting of the council shall be as follows in the order presented:

- (1) The call to order;
- (2) The determination of a quorum by roll call;
- (3) The invocation;
- (4) Pledge allegiance;
- (5) Proclamations, commendations and other special awards;
- (6) Remarks by the public;
- (7) The reading and approval of the journal;
- (8) The reading of communications;
- (9) The adoption of the agenda of the day;
- (10) The consideration of any legislation vetoed by the mayor;
- (11) Unfinished business;
- (12) New ordinances or resolutions;
- (13) Consideration of the consent agenda;
- (14) Reports of standing committees;

- (15) Personal papers and general remarks. During the period reserved for general remarks, any councilmember may introduce before the council any resolution or ordinance, regardless of whether the resolution or ordinance was included on the agenda for the meeting or not;
- (16) Announcements by chair; and
- (17) Adjournment.

be hereby amended to read as follows:

The order of business for each meeting of the council shall be as follows in the order presented:

- (1) The call to order;
- (2) The determination of a quorum by roll call;
- (3) The invocation;
- (4) Pledge allegiance;
- (5) Proclamations, commendations and other special awards;
- (6) Remarks by the public;
- (7) The reading and approval of the journal;
- (8) The reading of communications;
- (9) The adoption of the agenda of the day;
- (10) The consideration of any legislation vetoed by the mayor;
- (11) Unfinished business;
- ~~(12) New ordinances or resolutions;~~
- (12) Consideration of the consent agenda;
- (13) Reports of standing committees;
- (14) Personal papers/resolutions for immediate consideration;
- (15) Personal papers and general remarks. During the period reserved for general remarks, any councilmember may introduce before the council any resolution or ordinance, regardless of whether the resolution or ordinance was included on the agenda for the meeting or not; **and**
- ~~(16) Announcements by chair; and~~
- (16) Adjournment.

**Section 2:** That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby waived to the extent of the conflict.